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HOTLINE REPORT



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THE SUMMER QCWA JOURNAL - was delivered to the mailing service on July 18, 1988. It should be in all hands in about 10 to 14 days, being sent via bulk mail. In making up mailing instructions and labels, we kept a record of just how the QCWA database looked on July 19, 1988!

The full database contained 10,987 records at the beginning. This included members whose dues had expired and whose records had not been removed from the active files. Of this 10,987, 9,724 were domestic members in good standing and 510 were domestic members whose dues had expired on June 30, 1988, or before. Our International members were divided into two groups, North American and other. Of these, there were 566, 261 of whom were Canadian members. The balance were overseas members, the majority of whom are in Europe. A total of 9,875 QCWA Journals were mailed to members whose membership was in good standing on July 1, 1988!

QCWA DUES REMINDERS - At the time the QCWA file was examined for preparation of mailing labels for the QCWA Journal, a number of other actions were taken. We removed the names of all members whose dues expired before January 1, 1988. We then prepared mailing labels for sending a dues notice to those whose dues expired on January 31, 1988 through September 30, 1988. This totaled 967 domestic members, 9 Canadian members and 31 International members for a total of 1,007 notices. From all of this you can see that QCWA is a pretty large organization!

QCWA HEADQUARTERS - has put together a group of Video programs which are available to QCWA Chapters for use as they may deem necessary. We only have one copy of each program, and so only one can be sent to a Chapter at any given time. The video cassettes are in VHS format, and are available, upon request, and if available (if not already on loan to another Chapter). It is most important that the programs be returned to Headquarters immediately following use, so that others may have the chance to use them! The following are the programs that are available:

1. White Post Restorations - A pictorial story of the wonderful work of restoration of antique classic automobiles. This group are recognized world-wide as the leader in this activity. The program is approximately 1/2 hour in length
2. Mars, the Red Planet - prepared from animation and photography from the Jet Propulsion Lab, and the Viking and Mariner spacecraft missions. A 30 minute memorable adventure
3. The New World of Amateur Radio - Prepared by the ARRL, a fine program, approximately 30 minutes in length, promoting Amateur Radio.

ARCHIVAL RESPONSIBILITY - QCWA has the responsibility of keeping accurate and complete records of its membership. This includes all vital statistics - birthdates, birthplaces, date and cause of death and so on. We have files of information at present which includes some information on essentially 21,500 persons. While it seems unlikely at this moment, at some future date, information from our records may serve to settle a legal claim, establish the authenticity of a signature, place of birth, cause of death, etc. In our society it seems that legal nuances become more and more important. QCWA members have the right to expect QCWA to maintain orderly files, available to authorities in case of need. To this end we are making the plea that all Chapters and all members notify QCWA of the death of any member, or for that matter, any amateur, in their area. The notification should include Name, call, membership number (if any), date and cause of death. The cause does not require an invasion of privacy but, where possible a simple statement such as 'cancer', 'stroke', heart attack, car accident, etc., will be greatly appreciated. Each member's permanent record will be marked to reflect the data reported. This will, as the years roll by, provide a rich ground for researchers seeking statistical support for their work.

THE QCWA 40TH ANNIVERSARY REPORT - a project being strenuously worked at by the Committee headed by W2GHK and W2PF, is progressing well. Chapters have been asked to provide information on their beginnings, their activities through the years, and a current report. All such reports should be sent directly to W2GHK, who will assemble them into a final document. The 40th Anniversary Report will, if printed, be a pretty large volume, probably in the neighborhood of 300 pages and will be costly. QCWA has not underwritten the cost. The QCWA Board of Directors have authorized the publication, but have not committed QCWA funds to the project. Outside financing is being sought. The Report, if completed, will be sold at a approximately cost to those interested. If you would like to support this work, a gift to the Committee would help. Your gift would be tax exempt on your Federal return - your gift could be sent to QCWA Inc., c/o 40th Anniversary Report. If interested, do it today. This volume will be a record of QCWA from 1947 through 1987 and a very limited edition....if you want to see it produced, write today.

THE QCWA ALL-TIME ROSTER OF MEMBERS - has been prepared by QCWA Headquarters for inclusion in the 40th Anniversary Report. The work is now complete with exception of a few additions to bring it up to date as of July 31, 1988 by addition of new members through that point in time. The current list has 21,563 members listed by name, call, year they joined QCWA, etc. It was a mammoth job, originally begun in 1975 by Ethel Smith, K4LMB and completed this year at HQ. It is a report you will want to have in your files.

1989 QCWA ELECTION - will be held in the summer of 1989. Candidates for the offices of President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer, as well as five Directors are

being actively sought by the Nominating Committee. If you have or know of a member who would like to serve, contact the Chairman of the Committee, Joe Moskey, at the address below:

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The Nominating Committee would like to have a report ready for the September Board meeting. If desired, you may nominate by petition, for any office. 50 signatures by members in good standing, are required to nominate. The deadline for getting a petition filed is that it must be in the hands of the Secretary of QCWA by December 31, 1988. If you are interested in making QCWA even better than it is, get involved!

THE QCWA 1988 INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION - scheduled for McLean, VA, sponsored by the Vic Clark Chapter No. 91, for September 23-25. The Summer QCWA Journal has the latest information. Won't you make plans to attend and take part in the workings of your organization? Register now, and reserve space for this important meeting!

THE 1988 QCWA ELECTION - polls close at midnight, July 31, 1988. Tellers for the election have been busy tallying votes as they came in. We have had no information of any sort as to how the voting has progressed, but that will change next week. The tellers Committee will call the GM on Monday, August 1, with the balloting as it has been received. In the event the races are not hair-line requiring additional time, the results will be broadcast on the Sunday afternoon QCWA on-the-air meeting, August 7, 1988, by W6FQ. The returns become final upon filing a written report by the tellers with the QCWA Secretary. The Fall issue of the QCWA Journal will include all of the details.

THE ARRL NATIONAL CONVENTION, PORTLAND - will be well attended by QCWA brass. The President, Secretary, general manager and some Directors are expected to be on hand for the doin's. Looking forward to seeing old friends in the NW! Everyone who can, should attend this important ham get-to-gether!

1988 CHAPTER REPORTS - forms will be sent to all Chapters during October & November. The reports are to be completed and returned to HQ by January 15, 1989. Chapter secretaries are asked to keep an eye out for the forms which will be included as part of an issue of the HLR.

LATEST MEMBER TO JOIN QCWA - David R. Walter, WA5GUL, who lives at Bakersfield, CA, was enrolled on July 22, 1988. David is a geologist with hobbies of fishing, tennis playing and woodworking - and of course, amateur radio. We want to welcome David to the ranks of QCWA members! His membership number is 21,740.

The Hotline Report is sent to Chapter officials and to the Officers of QCWA. Members may obtain the HLR upon payment of \$6 for a one year period. Write to Headquarters,

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